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In re Application of:

AHMED S. ABUELYAMAN

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POLYMERIZABLE BISPHOSPHONIC  
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Signature Judy L. Hansen**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

The deadline for filing a response to the Final Office Action mailed November 30, 2007 originally required a reply by February 29, 2008.

Applicant desires additional time to respond to the Office Action, and therefore requests that the deadline for reply to the Office Action be extended to March 29, 2008. Authorization is hereby provided to charge any fee required in connection with this paper, including the \$120.00 fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) for consideration of this extension to Account No. 13-3723. A duplicate copy of this sheet is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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